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Ed Aromi selected as CH2M HILL Hanford Group president

RICHLAND, Wash.— Edward S. Aromi has been appointed president and general manager of CH2M HILL Hanford Group, Inc. He had been acting president of the Hanford tank farm prime contractor since Jan. 7, when former president Fran DeLozier was named senior operations vice president of CH2M HILL's Nuclear Systems and Services Business Unit.

“Ed has an outstanding record of success in various positions at Hanford over the last five years and in his more than 20 years of experience in leadership and management of large commercial environmental operations and projects. We are pleased to have him at the helm of this very important Department of Energy contract operation,” said Ralph Peterson, chairman and chief executive officer of CH2M HILL Ltd.

CH2M HILL Hanford Group is the Department of Energy's Office of River Protection prime contractor responsible for storing, characterizing, and retrieving for treatment approximately 53 million gallons of highly radioactive and hazardous waste stored in 177 underground tanks. It is one of the CH2M HILL family of employee-owned companies that serve clients on six continents with engineering, construction, and operations services for environmental, energy, water, transportation, and industrial infrastructure.

“I am honored to be chosen to lead this company and am eager to continue our efforts to build a team focused on safe, quality performance. I look forward to working with our DOE customer and my fellow CH2M HILL Hanford Group employee-owners to provide maximum value to the American taxpayer as we accelerate Hanford cleanup,” Aromi said.

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Aromi came to CH2M HILL Hanford Group as executive vice president and chief operating officer in 2001 from Duratek Federal Services of Hanford, Inc., where he was president and general manager. In that capacity, he also served as vice president of Fluor Hanford's Waste Management Project. During his time with the Fluor-Duratek team, Aromi was responsible for the management of the 200 Area Liquids Facilities, 242-A Evaporator, WRAP, 222-S and WSCF Laboratories, Solid Waste Treatment, and Storage and Transuranic Waste programs, receiving excellent performance ratings from DOE every year.

Before coming to Hanford in 1996 with the Fluor Waste Management Team, Aromi had a career that spanned leadership and management roles in several large commercial environmental operations and projects. They include responsibility for the permitting, development, and start-up of the country's largest commercial hazardous waste treatment and incineration complex. Additionally, he was in charge of projects involving hazardous and radioactive materials for a wide range of commercial and federal customers including the Army, Navy, Department of Energy, Chevron, duPont, IBM, Abbot, and Hoechst Celanese and has been responsible for long-range and strategic planning and development of new treatment facilities.

Aromi is also active in the community, currently serving as chairman of the board of United Way and serving on the boards of the Columbia Basin College Foundation and the Tri-Cities Visitor and Convention Bureau. He also serves on the St. Joseph Parish Council, the HAMMER Steering Committee and the TRIDEC Hanford Committee. He is a member of and has served on the boards of the Tri-City Chamber of Commerce, the Tri-Cities Corporate Council for the Arts, and Tri-Cities Prep High School.

Aromi obtained both his bachelor of science and his master's degree from Loyola University in Chicago, where both he and his wife, Terry, grew up. The Aromis are owners of Camelot Farms, a Tri-Cities area stable specializing in the breeding and showing of Arabian horses.

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